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First Inventor	Morris F. Dilmore et al.
Title METAL CONSOLIDATION PROCESS APPLICABLE TO FUNCTIONALLY GRADIENT MATERIAL (FCM)*	
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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2. Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
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 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings *(if filed)*
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 b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
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6. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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10. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Power of Attorney
(when there is an assignee)
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(Should be specifically itemized)
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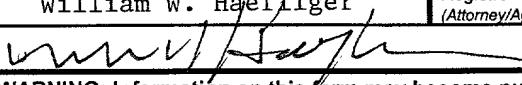
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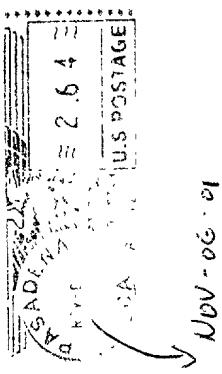
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